



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## Advanced Placement Program

1. Can we offer AP courses if our course is not authorized by the College Board audit?

No, all advanced courses with the AP identification must be approved through the College Board audit prior to enrolling students. A school cannot identify AP credit on a student transcript without the College Board audit approval.

Information on the process for completing the audit can be found at:

[http://apcentral.collegeboard.com/apc/public/courses/teachers\\_corner/46361.html](http://apcentral.collegeboard.com/apc/public/courses/teachers_corner/46361.html)

2. Do schools have to complete the AP audit each year?

Schools receiving authorization to offer AP courses during the initial AP Course Audit for 2007-08 will not need to submit AP Course Audit forms or syllabi in following years unless the teacher has changed, the school offers a new AP course, or the curricular and resource requirements for a course undergo significant revision. Beginning in March of each year, principals may request renewal of their schools' course authorizations for the following year through their AP Course Audit online accounts.

3. Why is the State of Indiana paying only for AP Mathematics and Science exams for students in grades 11 and 12 for the 2008 AP test administration?

There have been increasing numbers of high school students taking AP mathematics and science exams in the state of Indiana over the past several years. The state appropriation has not increased funding for AP exams for mathematics and science for 2008, therefore priority will be given to 11th and 12th grade students, as stated in the Indiana Code IC 20-36-3-8. Freshmen and sophomores enrolled in the free- and reduced-lunch program can still have their AP math and science exam fees paid for by a federal grant.

4. What are the AP Mathematics and Science courses?

Biology, Advanced Placement	#3020
Calculus AB, Advanced Placement	2562
Calculus BC, Advanced Placement	2572
Chemistry, Advanced Placement	3060
Environmental Science, Advanced Placement	3012
Physics B, Advanced Placement	3080
Physics C, Advanced Placement	3088
Statistics, Advanced Placement	2570

5. Do we need to offer AP courses within our high school curriculum?

Yes, as stated in the Indiana Code 20-30-10-4

Curriculum models: course offerings

Sec. 4. Each high school must provide at least two (2) of each of the following course offerings to high school students who qualify to enroll in the courses:

(1) Dual credit      (2) Advanced placement

*As added by P.L.185-2006, SEC.9.; IC 20-36-3-5 (b)*

6. If we make AP courses available through an online provider does this satisfy the requirements?

When there are a limited number of students enrolled in an AP course and/or the school does not have a qualified teacher, schools may offer students the opportunity to enroll in an online AP course with an accredited provider.

Courses may only be listed as AP courses on students' transcripts if those providers have qualified through the AP Course Audit to label their courses "AP." To list online AP courses as part of your school's official AP offerings, your school will be able to indicate through the AP Course Audit Web site which authorized online or distance learning courses you are offering to your students. These courses will then be included in your school's profile in the ledger of authorized AP courses made available in November 2007 on the College Board website.

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7. Can schools offer a Calculus course that is not an AP course?

The only Indiana course descriptions that may be used for a Calculus class are:

AP Calculus AB - course #2562

AP Calculus BC - course #2572

Advanced Mathematics, College Credit - course #2544

All students who enroll in a course called Calculus must be reported in one of these three approved courses. Only students enrolled in AP Calculus AB or AP Calculus BC will have the cost of their AP exams in those subjects paid with state funds.

8. Are there online AP professional development opportunities for AP teachers?

Yes, College Board professional development online events and workshops are posted on the following web link:

<http://professionals.collegeboard.com/prof-dev/online>

9. Are there AP teacher workshops available in Indiana?

Yes, to view the workshops currently offered and to register, go to the link:

<http://professionals.collegeboard.com/prof-dev/workshops>

10. How can I receive updates from the Indiana Department of Education AP Program?

The link to sign up to be on the Indiana Counselor Talk list-serve:

<http://www.doe.state.in.us/sservices/list.htm>

Please refer to the IDOE AP webpage for additional AP information, updates and steps to accurately complete invoices:

[http://www.doe.state.in.us/opd/advpla/adv\\_pla.htm](http://www.doe.state.in.us/opd/advpla/adv_pla.htm)



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